

***United States Army***  
**Commanding General**  
**Michael S. Tucker**

**Lieutenant General**  
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Lt. Gen. Michael S. Tucker became the 37th commander of First Army on August 2, 2013.

As U.S. Forces Command's designated coordinating authority for the implementation of Army Total Force Policy, First Army partners with Army Reserve and Army National Guard leadership to advise, assist and train Reserve Component formations to achieve Department of the Army directed readiness requirements during pre- and post-mobilization training.

Lt. Gen. Tucker is a native of Charlotte, North Carolina. He entered the United States Army as a private in 1972 and served in a variety of leadership positions, completing his enlisted career as a drill sergeant in the 3rd Basic Combat Training Brigade at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. He was commissioned in 1979 through Officer Candidate School where he graduated as a Distinguished Military Graduate and was assigned as an Armor Lieutenant. He previously served as Commanding General, 2nd Infantry Division and Commander of 1st Brigade, 1st Armored Division, which included a deployment in support of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM.

Lt. Gen. Tucker has commanded at platoon through division level. He served in a multitude of leadership assignments including Tank Platoon Leader, Tank Company Executive Officer, Battalion Motor Officer, Battalion Adjutant, Battalion Operations Officer, USMA Professor of Military Science, Division G3, Executive Officer to the Commanding General U.S. Army Europe, Assistant Division Commander for both Maneuver and Support, Deputy Commanding General U.S. Armor School, Deputy Commanding General Walter Reed Army Medical Center and Assistant Surgeon General for Warrior Care Transition, Office of the Surgeon General, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations for the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF), and Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7, Headquarters, Department of the Army.

Lt. Gen. Tucker's 25 years of overseas assignments and deployments are extensive to include multiple tours to Germany, the Republic of South Korea and operational deployments to

Operation Desert Shield, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation Enduring Freedom.

He is a graduate of the Armor Officer Basic and Advanced Course at Fort Knox, Kentucky; the Canadian Land Forces Command and Staff College at Kingston, Ontario; the United States Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; and the U.S. Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania.

His civilian education includes a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology from the University of Maryland, a Master's Degree in Military Arts and Sciences from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Shippensburg University.

Lt. Gen. Tucker has earned the Expert Infantry Badge, the Drill Sergeant Identification Badge, the Parachutist Badge, the Department of the Army Staff Badge, and the German Army Ranger Badge.